

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(4)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: July 3, 2012

FROM:

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution authorizing allocation

of fees collected for issuing parking permits for persons transporting

young children and strollers to Kristi House in the amount of

\$152,086

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz.

R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney

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P	lease note any items checked.					
• · · ·	"3-Day Rule" for committees applicable it	f raised				
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing					
	Decreases revenues or increases expenditu	ires without b	alancing budget			
	Budget required					
	Statement of fiscal impact required					
•	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing					
	No committee review					
	Applicable legislation requires more than 3/5's, unanimous) to approve	a majority vo	te (i.e., 2/3's,			
	Current information regarding funding so balance, and available capacity (if debt is					

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No.	11(A)(4)
Veto		7-3-12	
Override			

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALLOCATION OF FEES COLLECTED FOR ISSUING PARKING PERMITS FOR PERSONS TRANSPORTING YOUNG CHILDREN AND STROLLERS TO KRISTI HOUSE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$152,086

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 94-104 provides that one-third of fees collected for issuing parking permits for persons transporting young children and strollers shall be distributed to private not-for-profit, non-denominational agencies providing services for severely abused or neglected children; and

WHEREAS, Kristi House, Inc. is a private 501(c)(3) not-for-profit, non-denominational entity whose mission is to provide a healing environment for all child victims of sexual abuse and their families, regardless of income, through prevention, treatment and coordination of services with community partners; and

WHEREAS, Kristi House strives to end the epidemic of child sexual abuse in Miami-Dade County by healing those who have been victims and breaking the cycle of abuse for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Kristi House is the State-designated Children's Advocacy Center, making it the single entity responsible for coordinating cases of child sexual abuse for all of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, Kristi House has continually grown its program to meet the needs of the community, and has provided uninterrupted, services, based upon best practice, for 16 years without turning any children away; and

WHEREAS, due to budget cuts, Kristi House is currently receiving only 1% of its annual budget, \$43,750, in funding from Miami-Dade County despite having received the highest score in its category in the last RFP competition (July 2010) and being recommended in February 2011 for 95% funding at \$195,836; and

WHEREAS, Kristi House brings positive national and international attention to Miami-Dade County through distinguished awards and support for its model programs, including its initiative for child-victims of sex trafficking; and

WHEREAS, Kristi House has assisted Miami-Dade County and its personnel at Miami International Airport and PortMiami with a first-of-its-kind human trafficking awareness and identification training program with zero funding support from the County; and

WHEREAS, Kristi House devotes considerable resources to raising awareness of the epidemic of child sexual abuse, and keeping our community's children safe, despite extremely limited public funding for healing these young victims of the hideous crime of sexual abuse; and

WHEREAS, national research has shown the serious social and health costs to the individual and community are associated with untreated child sexual abuse trauma; and

WHEREAS, the Commission believes that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Miami-Dade County to provide funding to Kristi House whose services are unduplicated by any other agency in our county,

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the County Mayor or Mayor's designee is hereby directed to distribute funds collected from the issuance of parking permits for persons transporting young children and strollers as follows:

Kritsi House

\$152,086.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz. It was offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the

vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman

Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman

Bruno A. Barreiro

Lynda Bell

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Sally A. Heyman

Barbara J. Jordan

Jean Monestime

Dennis C. Moss

Rebeca Sosa

Sen. Javier D. Souto

Xavier L. Suarez

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 3rd day of July, 2012. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

GKS

Gerald K. Sanchez

